

## **Exhibit DD**



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X-RAY EVALUATION

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PA view of the chest dated 05/03/00 is reviewed for the presence of and classification of pneumoconiosis according to the ILO 80 classification.

Film quality is grade 1. Inspection of the lung parenchyma demonstrates interstitial changes in the mid and lower lung zones bilaterally, consisting of small and irregular opacities of size and shape s/h, profusion 1/0.

Pleural plaques are seen, focal on bilaterally, extent of 2 bilaterally. Pleural thickening is seen in the minor fissure. No parenchymal infiltrates, nodules or masses are seen. The heart is of normal size and the mediastinal structures are unremarkable.

CONCLUSION: The above parenchymal and pleural changes are consistent with asbestosis provided the subject's exposure history and period of latency are appropriate.

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